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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116 AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below. Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.